

Claims

1. An electronic device comprising a memory for storing a plurality of user selectable items and a controller operable to order said items according to the frequency of selection of each item.
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2. An electronic device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telecommunications device and wherein the plurality of user selectable items is a list of contacts, the controller being operable to order said list of contacts according to the frequency of selection of each contact by the user.
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3. An electronic device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telecommunications device and wherein the plurality of user selectable items is a dictionary of words, the controller being operable to predict and select a word stored in the dictionary in response to text message entry, the controller also being configured to initially predict and select the word most frequently selected by the user when more than one word fits a prediction.
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4. An electronic device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telecommunications device, the plurality of user selectable items comprising a list of SMS templates, the controller being operable to order the SMS templates according to the frequency of selection of each SMS template by the user.
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5. An electronic device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telecommunications device incorporating a location based services database, the plurality of user selectable items comprising a list of landmarks being stored in the memory, the controller being operable to order the list of landmarks according to the frequency of selection of each landmark by the user.
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6. An electronic device according to claim 1, comprising a mobile telecommunications device and wherein the device is WAP enabled, the plurality of user selectable items comprising a list of URL's, the controller being operable to
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order the list of URL's according to the frequency of selection of each URL by the user.

7. An electronic device according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of user
5 selectable items comprises a database of images, the controller being operable to
order said database according to the frequency of selection of each image by the
user.

8. An electronic device according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of user
10 selectable items comprises a list of games, the controller being operable to order the
list of games according to the frequency of selection of each game by the user.

9. A method of handling a plurality of user selectable items stored in a memory
of an electronic device, the method including the step of ordering items according
15 to the frequency of selection of each item.

10. A method according to claim 9, wherein the electronic device is a mobile
telecommunications device and the plurality of user selectable items is a list of
contacts, the method including the step of ordering said list of contacts according
20 to the frequency of selection of each contact by the user.

11. A method according to claim 9, wherein the electronic device is a mobile
telecommunications device and the plurality of user selectable items is a dictionary
of words, the method including the steps of predicting and selecting a word stored
25 in the dictionary responsive to text message entry and predicting and selecting the
word most frequently selected by the user when more than one word fits a
prediction.

12. A computer including a memory and a controller, the memory storing a
30 program executable by the controller to carry out the method of handling a plurality
of user selectable items stored in the memory, the method including the step of
selecting items from the plurality of selectable items in order according to the
frequency of selection of each item.

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13. A program which, when run on a computer, is operable to perform a method of predicting and selecting a word from a dictionary of words stored in a memory in response to entry of text by the user, the program also being operable, when more
5 than one word fits a prediction, to initially predict and select a word most frequently selected by the user.

14. A program according to claim 13, stored on a computer readable medium.

10 15. A predictive text input means for text message entry on a mobile communications device, the predictive text input means presents, in response to a given text entry, one or more word predictions from a dictionary of words used by the predictive text input means, the predictive text input means comprising a counter that monitors the frequency of selections of words used from the dictionary
15 and provides an output based on the monitored frequency of selection, which output is used to modify the order of the predicted words presented in respect of the given text entry.

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